

# DENIS COUTO

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A mature professional with many years in the field, blending technical expertise with clear communication and leadership skills. Experienced in designing, deploying and technical delivery in small and large enterprise environments while able to translate complex technical concepts for stakeholders.

## Skills & Expertise

- Extensive knowledge of Microsoft Stack (on-prem and Azure).
- Solid knowledge in automation tools such as PowerShell, Terraform and Ansible.
- Solid knowledge of Linux administration.
- Solid knowledge software delivery processes and tooling. containers, and tools such as Azure DevOps, Octopus Deploy, Kubernetes.

## Certifications

**Azure:** DevOps Expert

**Azure:** Administrator Associate

**MCSE:** Cloud Platform and Infrastructure

**CCA-V:** Citrix Certified Associate-Virtualization

**CC-VAD-CC:** Citrix CVAD Service on Citrix Cloud

## Professional Experience

**Duosystem, São Paulo, Brazil**  
*SRE / Cloud Architect*

**2023 - Present**

Member of the Cloud Architecture team, I have been helping the company to solidify their path into Cloud, especially Azure, establishing standards and governance to achieve solid long-term results. Helped with:

- Assess the company's cloud footprint, which led to:
  - Bring costs down by about 30%/year by eliminating shadow IT, orphan resources, deprecated resources, consolidating workloads in the cloud and back on-prem where required.
- Architect and deploy Cloud Ingress based on Azure Front Door, Azure Application Gateway and WAF policies to deliver applications hosted both on Azure and on-prem, which brought in:
  - Increased application reliability.
  - Secure application delivery.
  - Higher performance due to load balancing and caching.
- Consolidate 3rd party app authentication using SSO with Azure Entra ID, which helped with:
  - Ease the onboarding/offboarding process.
  - Secure company's data against data exfiltration.
- Plan and migrate from AWS to Azure, an in-house digital healthcare product. Running on top of Azure Kubernetes and Azure Functions on a Hub&Spoke architecture, which led to:
  - Consolidation of sparse unmanaged microservices under one governed Cloud.
  - Set the standard on how the company orchestrates containers.
- Led sessions with US based Microsoft Fast Track team, helping our team to get insights and learn best practices to modernize the core company product.
- Write and troubleshoot Azure DevOps Classic/Yaml Pipelines for App and IAC deployments.
- Write and troubleshoot Terraform code targeting Azure.
- Lead the planning and implementation of a multi subscription landing zone for our datacenter migration project.
- Knowledge sharing of new standards and ways of doing Cloud infrastructure through brown bag type sessions, Wiki articles and writing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
- Day to day Azure Cloud operations.

#Azure #Architecture #Engineering #DevOps #Kubernetes #Terraform #Networking

**Citrix Systems, Dublin, Ireland**  
*Senior Escalation Engineer*

**2018 - 2022**

Working in the EMEA Escalation team, I provided analysis of complex problems in a 24x7 'follow the sun' support environment.

In-Depth knowledge of *Citrix DaaS* and Citrix Cloud (Azure based), leveraging debugging techniques to manage high severity cases which could be politically or technically challenging.

Day to day used to go by:

- Leveraging a variety of tools to get to the bottom of issues. Tools like Splunk, Azure CLI, Powershell.
- Reading and correlating code on Sourcegraph to customers issues.
- Analysis of memory dump with WinDBG.
- Deep engaging with Product Engineering through Jira and Slack for further troubleshooting.
- Mentoring and delivering training sessions to Frontline engineers on how to leverage Powershell with Citrix Products.
- Writing public KB articles with workarounds or fixes mapped to future releases.
- Leading the managing and distribution of the load across a pool of senior engineers.

*#Citrix #DaaS #Azure #Identity #Engineering #Debugging #Splunk #Powershell*

**Ergo Group, Dublin, Ireland**  
*Level 3 Support Engineer*

**2015 - 2018**

Working on escalation/BAU tasks for several customers (AerCap, CIE, Goshawk, AerLingus, Dunbia and many others) managing a variety of products and services, such as: Windows Server, Linux, Azure, Office 365, Hyper-V, VMware ESXi, Netscaler, Xenapp and others.

Also worked on a dedicated team for a high value customer going beyond BAU tasks, I had the opportunity to automate a series of tasks through Powershell using functions and modules that helped to:

- Finding details of servers combining data from AD, Solarwinds and VMware.
- Finding and gathering important details of dozens of SQL Server instances.
- Enabling employees to have their pictures synced across different company's tools.
- Wrapping 3<sup>rd</sup> party DMS APIs for better integration with LOB applications.

For this same customer, I was the go-to person for their CD solution based on *Octopus Deploy*, orchestrating with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor the deployment and availability of their main application.

*#Level3 #Citrix #Virtualization #Azure #Powershell #Octopus #Elastic #Linux #Ansible*

**DoMore! Soluções em Produtividade, São Paulo, Brazil**  
*Senior Microsoft Infrastructure Engineer*

**2009 - 2015**

- Planning, deploying, and managing medium to large SharePoint farms and applications for companies like Odebrecht, Vale, PWC, Pfizer, Carrefour and others.
- Administering internal and Azure infrastructure running several Microsoft solutions such as Hyper-V, SharePoint (2007, 2010, 2013), Office 365, SQL Server, Visual Studio Team Services.
- Engineering engagement on troubleshooting custom applications.

*#SharePoint #Engineering #Powershell*

**Atento Brasil, São Paulo, Brazil**  
*Level 3 Server Support Engineer*

**2006 - 2008**

- Performing 3<sup>rd</sup> level support to Windows environment with more than 10.000 users and 12 locations nationwide.
- Managing VMware ESXi and Microsoft network products, Exchange Server 2007

*#Level3 #Windows #Virtualization*

**SSI Consultoria, São Paulo, Brazil**  
*Server Administrator*

**2004 - 2006**

- Managing a Windows network environment and SQL Server together with Visual Source Safe.
- Managing Linux (Red Hat) Iptables Firewall, Web Proxy with Squid and reports with SARG.

*#SysAdmin #Windows #Linux #Firewall #Proxy*

## **Languages**

- Portuguese – Native
- English – Fluent

## **Education**

**Faculdade Eniac, Guarulhos, São Paulo**  
*Computer Networking 2002 - 2004*